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In re Application of

Eisinger, Lee

Application No. 09/807,262

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Attorney Docket No. 30553.30012

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed May 10, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply within three months to the final Office action mailed June 27, 2003. A three-month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on December 28, 2003.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Accordingly, since the \$475.00 extension of time fee submitted with the petition on May 10, 2004 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioner's deposit account as authorized.

The file is now being forwarded to Technology Center 1700 for processing of the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed with the instant petition.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-0482. Any telephone inquiries after approximately **September 24, 2004** should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3282.

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